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**Upcoming Elections** 

### **No Federal Elections Scheduled**

Please mail your voting materials early enough to account for mail delivery times. Check the recommended mailing dates section in Chapter 1 for details.

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What is UOCAVA?	The Uniformed and Oversees Citizens Absentes Voting Act is a research
what is OOCAVA?	The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act is commonly referred to as UOCAVA. UOCAVA citizens are U.S. citizens who are active members of the Uniformed Services, the Merchant Marine, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, their eligible family members and other U.S. citizens residing outside the United States. The law provides the legal basis for absentee voting requirements for federal offices.
What is the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)?	The FPCA (federal form SF 76) allows <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens to register to vote and request an absentee ballot. This form is also used to update your contact information.
What is the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)?	The FWAB (federal form SF 186) serves as an emergency backup ballot for <i>UOCAVA</i> citizens. If you do not receive your absentee ballot from your State in time to return it to your election official to participate in the election, use the FWAB.
What is the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)*?	The DoD ETS allows you to <b>email or fax</b> your election materials toll-free. To <b>email</b> your election materials using ETS, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or online at FVAP.gov and email to ETS@FVAP.gov. To <b>fax</b> your election materials using ETS, use the cover sheet available in Chapter 1 or online at FVAP.gov and fax to: (703) 693-5527, DSN 223-5527, or toll-free from the U.S., Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands to 1-800-368-8683. International toll-free numbers can be found in the Appendix of the Voting Assistance Guide or online at FVAP.gov.  * DISCLAIMER: The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) provides an Electronic Transmission Service to assist you with transmitting your election materials. FVAP does not guarantee the acceptance or processing of your materials by your election official. As a user of this service, we encourage you to contact your election official directly to verify whether your information was received timely.
What is the Prepaid Mail Label 11- DoD?	Overseas Uniformed Service members can use this label for general election absentee ballots. It provides free express mail service to your election official for general election absentee ballots. You can request to have a Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to your absentee ballot at Military Postal Office locations (APO/FPO). A portion of the label is kept by you for tracking your absentee ballot through the U.S. postal service.

What is a primary election?	A primary election is an election held before the general election to determine the candidates that can be placed on the general election ballot.	
I am an American citizen, but I have never lived in the U.S., can I vote in this State?	A U.S. citizen who has never resided in the U.S. and has a parent or legal guardian that was last domiciled in New Mexico is eligible to vote in New Mexico.	
I am a National Guardsman activated on State orders; does my State afford me UOCAVA privileges?	Yes.	
How can I check the status of my ballot?	You can check the status of your absentee ballot here: www.sos.state.nm.us	
Does my State have any online tools?	You can see if your State has any online tools available here: <a href="http://www.fvap.gov/new-mexico">http://www.fvap.gov/new-mexico</a>	

# Registering and requesting your absentee ballot

Under federal law, the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) registers you to vote and requests absentee ballots for a minimum of all federal elections in the current calendar year. Be sure to complete a new FPCA each year and every time your address changes.

# Complete the following blocks of the FPCA

Block 1	Select the category that best describes you.
Block 2	To vote in primary elections, you must enter the name of the party ballot you want to receive. Political party affiliation is not required if requesting an absentee ballot for general elections.
Block 3	Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.
Block 4	Your date of birth is required.  You must provide your Social Security number.
Block 5	Your contact information is recommended so your election

	official can contact you if they need additional information from you in order to accept your FPCA. If you want to receive your absentee ballot by email/online or fax, you must provide your email address or fax number.
Block 6	You can receive your absentee ballot by mail, email/online or fax. Rank your preferred method of receiving your absentee ballot.
Block 7	Enter the complete street address of your voting residence. You cannot use a post office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Block 9 to describe the location of your voting residence.
Block 8	Enter your current mailing address, even if you are requesting your ballot by email/online or fax. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use Block 9 to provide this information.
Block 9	Provide any information that may assist your election official in accepting this form. You can use this space to designate particular elections or the period you wish to receive ballots.
Affirmation	Sign and date. No witness signature required.

### How and where to submit your FPCA

You can submit the FPCA by mail, email or fax. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at FVAP.gov.

**Mail your FPCA:** Once your FPCA is complete, mail your FPCA directly to your election official.

**E-Mail your FPCA:** Scan the signed FPCA into your computer. Be sure to also include the Electronic Transmission Sheet. Email this package directly to your election official. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)\* to email your FPCA. Information about ETS can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Fax your FPCA: Fax your FPCA directly to your election official. Be sure to also include the Electronic Transmission Sheet. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)\* to fax your FPCA toll-free. Instructions for ETS are in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

To find out the status of your FPCA, contact your election official. Your election official will contact you if your FPCA is not accepted.

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## **Voting your ballot**

Once you receive your absentee ballot from your State it must be returned according to the deadlines and requirements in the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart. For special federal elections, visit FVAP.gov for specific deadlines.

You can submit the State absentee ballot by mail, email or fax. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)\* to email or fax your ballot. Overseas Uniformed Service members can request to have the Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section.

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# Haven't received your ballot? Use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot

You **must** be registered to vote and have already requested a State absentee ballot in order to use the FWAB.

You can use the FWAB to vote in all elections for federal, State and local offices, including ballot measures.

# Complete the following blocks of the FWAB's voter declaration/affirmation

Block 1	Do not check this box. The FWAB cannot be used for voter registration or as a ballot request.
Block 2	Select the category that describes you.
Block 3	Enter your current name (Last, First). If you are registered under a different name, provide this information in the previous name area.
Block 4	Your date of birth is required.
	You must provide your Social Security number.
Block 5	Your contact information is recommended so your election official can contact you if they need additional information from you to accept your FWAB.
Block 6	To vote in primary elections, you must enter the name of the party primary in which you are voting. Political party affiliation is not required if voting an absentee ballot in general elections.
Block 7	Enter the complete street address of your voting residence. You cannot

	use a post office box mailing address. If your address is a rural route, use Block 9 to describe the location of your voting residence.
Block 8	Enter your current mailing address. If you want your election materials sent to a different address or have a forwarding address, use Block 9 for this information.
Block 9	Provide any information that may assist the election official in accepting this form.
Affirmation	Sign and date. No witness signature required.

### **Vote your FWAB**

To vote, write in either a candidate's name or political party for each office. You are not required to make a selection for each and every contest.

### How and where to submit your FWAB

You can submit the FWAB by **mail**, **email** or **fax**. Contact information can be found in the "Local Election Offices" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Mail your FWAB: Once your FWAB is complete, fold and place it in the security envelope and seal the envelope. Place only the voted ballot in the security envelope and do not write on the security envelope. Insert the sealed security envelope and the Voter's Declaration/ Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail your FWAB directly to your election official. Overseas Uniformed Service members can request to have the Prepaid Mail Label 11-DoD applied to the general election ballot. Additional information about this label can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Email your FWAB: Scan the signed Voter's Declaration/Affirmation and the FWAB into your computer. Be sure to also include the Electronic Transmission Sheet with secrecy waiver. Email this ballot package directly to your election official. You may also use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)\* to email your FWAB. Information about ETS can be found in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

Fax your FWAB: Fax your FWAB directly to your election official. Be sure to include your ballot, signed Voter Declaration/Affirmation and cover sheet with secrecy waiver. You may use the DoD Electronic Transmission Service (ETS)\* to fax your

FWAB toll-free. Instructions for ETS are in the "Important Information" section or online at FVAP.gov.

See the "Federal Election Deadlines" chart for the deadline for submitting the FWAB. If you receive the State absentee ballot after transmitting your voted FWAB, you may also vote and return the State absentee ballot. If both are received by the deadline, only the State absentee ballot will be counted.

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## Local election offices for county

County	Mailing Address
Bernalillo	Bernalillo County Clerk One Civic Plaza NW, 6th Fl Albuquerque, NM 87102-2169 Phone: (505) 468-1290 Fax: (505) 468-1293 Email: clerk@bernco.gov
Catron	Catron County Clerk P.O. Box 197 Reserve, NM 87830-0197 Phone: (575) 533-6400 Fax: (575) 533-6400 Email: keith.riddle@catroncountynm.gov
Chaves	Chaves County Clerk P.O. Box 580 Roswell, NM 88202-0580 Phone: (575) 624-6614 Fax: (575)624-6523 Email: cfuller@co.chaves.nm.us
Cibola	Cibola County Clerk 515 W High Grants, NM 87020 Phone: (505) 285-2535 Fax: (505) 285-2562 Email: Elisa.bro@co.cibola.nm.us
Colfax	Colfax County Clerk P.O. Box 159 Raton, NM 87740-0159 Phone: (575) 445-5551 Fax: (575) 445-4031 Email: clerk@co.colfax.nm.us
Curry	Curry County Clerk 1509 Grayson Ct Clovis, NM 88102-1168 Phone: (575) 763-5591 Fax: (575) 763-4232 Email: aroberts@currycounty.org
De Baca	De Baca County Clerk P.O. Box 347 Fort Sumner, NM 88119-0347 Phone: (575) 355-2601 Fax: (575) 355-2441 Email: rosaliej@plateautel.net

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Dona Ana	Dona Ana County Bureau of Elections 845 N Motel Blvd Las Cruces, NM 88007 Phone: (575) 647-7421 Fax: (575) 527-9857 Email: Elections@donaanacounty.org	Mora	Mora County Clerk P.O. Box 360 Mora, NM 87732-0360 Phone: (575) 387-2448 Fax: (575) 387-9023 Email: mora_clerk@yahoo.com
Eddy	Eddy County Clerk 325 S Main St Carlsbad, NM 88220 Phone: (575) 885-3383 Fax: (575) 234-1793 Email: robin@co.eddy.nm.us	Otero	Otero County Clerk 1104 N White Sands Blvd, Ste C Alamogordo, NM 88310 Phone: (575) 437-4942 Fax: (575) 443-2922 Email: dguerra@co.otero.nm.us
Grant	Grant County Clerk P.O. Box 898 Silver City, NM 88062-0898 Phone: (575) 574-0042 Fax: (575) 574-0076 Email: grantrzamari@cybermesa.com	Quay	Quay County Clerk Box 1225 Tucumcari, NM 88401-1225 Phone: (575) 461-0510 Fax: (575) 461-0513 Email: Veronica.marez@quaycounty-nm.gov
Guadalupe	Guadalupe County Clerk 1448 Historic Route 66, Ste 1 Santa Rosa, NM 88435 Phone: (575) 472-3791 Fax: (575) 472-4791 Email: pmartinez@guadco-nm.us	Rio Arriba	Rio Arriba County Clerk P.O. Box 158 Tierra Amarilla, NM 87575 Phone: (575) 588-7724 Fax: (575) 588-7418 Email: victoria@rio-arriba.org
Harding	Harding County Clerk 35 Pine St Mosquero, NM 87733 Phone: (575) 673-2301 Fax: (575) 673-2922 Email: hardingcc@plateautel.net	Roosevelt	Roosevelt County Clerk 109 W First St, Lobby Box 4 Portales, NM 88130-5901 Phone: (575) 356-8562 Fax: (575) 356-3560 Email: dsearl@rooseveltcounty.com
Hidalgo	Hidalgo County Clerk 300 S Shakespeare St. Lordsburg, NM 88045-1939 Phone: (575) 542-9213 Fax: (575) 542-3193 Email: hidclk@aznex.net	San Juan	San Juan County Clerk P.O. Box 550 Aztec, NM 87410-0550 Phone: (505) 334-9471 Fax: (505) 334-3635 Email: dholmes@sjcounty.net
Lea	Lea County Clerk P.O. Box 1507 Lovington, NM 88260-1507 Phone: (575) 396-8619 Fax: (575) 396-3293 Email: bwofford@leacounty.net	San Miguel	San Miguel County Clerk 500 W National Ave, Ste 113 Las Vegas, NM 87701-3703 Phone: (505) 425-9331 Fax: (505) 454-1799 Email: geraldineg@smcounty.net
Lincoln	Lincoln County Clerk P.O. Box 338 Carrizozo, NM 88301-0338 Phone: (575) 648-2394 Fax: (575) 648-2576 Email: UOCAVA@lincolncountynm.gov	Sandoval	Sandoval County Clerk P.O. Box 40 Bernalillo, NM 87004-0040 Phone: (505) 867-7573 Fax: (505) 771-8610 Email: bchavez@sandovalcountynm.gov
Los Alamos	Los Alamos County Clerk 1000 Central Ave, Ste 240 Los Alamos, NM 87544-0030 Phone: (505) 662-8010 Fax: (505) 662-8008 Email: clerks@lacnm.us	Santa Fe	Santa Fe County Clerk Box 1985 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1985 Phone: (505) 986-6280 Fax: (505) 995-2767 Email: overseas@santafecountynm.gov
Luna	Luna County Clerk P.O. Box 1838 Deming, NM 88030-1838 Phone: (575) 546-0491 Fax: (575) 543-6617 Email: andrea_rodriguez@lunacountynm.us	Sierra	Sierra County Clerk 100 N Date St, Ste 6 T or C, NM 87901-2398 Phone: (575) 894-2840 Fax: (575) 894-2516 Email: cgreer@sierraco.org
McKinley	McKinley County Clerk 207 West Hill St Gallup, NM 87301 Phone: (505) 863-6866 Fax: (505) 863-1419 Email: clerk@co.mckinley.nm.us	Socorro	Socorro County Clerk P.O. Box I Socorro, NM 87801-0001 Phone: (575) 835-0423 Fax: (575) 835-1043 Email: UOCAVA@co.socorro.nm.us

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Taos	Taos County Clerk 105 Albright St, Ste D Taos, NM 87571 Phone: (575) 737-6380 Fax: (575) 737-6390 Email: anna.martinez@taoscounty.org
Torrance	Torrance County Clerk P.O. Box 767 Estancia, NM 87016 Phone: (505) 246-4737 Fax: (505) 384-4080 Email: Ijaramillo@tcnm.us
Union	Union County Clerk P.O. Box 430 Clayton, NM 88415 Phone: (575) 374-9491 Fax: (575) 374-9591 Email: unionchiefdeputy@hotmail.com
Valencia	Valencia County Clerk P.O. Box 969 Los Lunas, NM 87031 Phone: (505) 866-2083 Fax: (505) 866-2023 Email: candace.teague@co.valencia.nm.us